

## SENATE RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_

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### DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A SENATE RESOLUTION to urge the assignment of the Indiana Toll Road as a topic for study by an interim study committee.

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## SENATE RESOLUTION

MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

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*Whereas, in 2006, the Indiana Toll Road will celebrate its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary as Indiana's first interstate and transportation corridor;*

*Whereas, the Indiana Toll Road is the gateway to Northern Indiana from neighboring states, carrying 54 million vehicles and 130 million travelers annually;*

*Whereas, the Indiana Toll Road is a primary economic development tool for Northern Indiana, moving commerce, workers, residents and visitors through the region;*

*Whereas, the Indiana Toll Road generates a total of \$7,247,575 from Indiana motor fuel sales tax and \$1,667,622 from Indiana sales tax on food and merchandise;*

*Whereas, more than 25 million travelers stop at one of the ten travel plazas along the Indiana Toll Road; and*

*Whereas, revenue from the Indiana Toll Road is an*



*important resource for local and state government: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the  
General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. That the legislative council is urged to assign the  
2 Indiana Toll Road as a topic for study by an interim study committee.

3 SECTION 2. That the committee should study marketing and  
4 image building opportunities for state, regional and local economic  
5 development and tourism organizations; the economic impact of the  
6 Indiana Toll Road on Northern Indiana; the travelers opinions of the  
7 services, appearance, cleanliness and functionality of the ten travel  
8 plazas; the master landscaping plan using interchanges as gateways to  
9 communities; the vendor agreements - relating to overall consistent  
10 standards for maintenance and merchandising, and enforcement  
11 procedures; the new partnership opportunities for funding of economic  
12 and tourism development activities; and the development of  
13 communication, marketing, promotion and economic development  
14 initiatives.

15 SECTION 3. That the committee's deliberations shall operate  
16 under the direction of the legislative council, and that the committee  
17 shall issue a final report when directed to do so by the council.

